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# 2007 NATIONALS & ANNUAL SEMINAR QUICKLY APPROACHING

The **2007 Nationals and Annual Seminar** are quickly approaching, as is the new year. We look forward once again to the outstanding competition, camaraderie, and sharing of knowledge that the Nationals bring us each year. The event will be held **March 29 to April 1, 2007** in **Albuquerque, New Mexico** at the beautiful Albuquerque Marriott Pyramid North.

**All Black Belts are invited** to compete and participate in the 2007 Nationals and Annual Seminar. Those **under the rank of Black Belt must qualify** to compete in Forms, Sparring, or Weapons. All other events are open to all martial artists. In order to qualify to compete in **Forms, Sparring, or Weapons**, underbelts must have placed 1st thru 4th at the 2006 Alliance Nationals, 2006 Alliance World Championships, a 2006/2007 Alliance State or Regional Championship, Last Chance Qualifier Tournament, or be in the top ten of the Alliance National Point Standings published at the time of Nationals.

The **Last Chance Qualifying Tournament** will be held on **Thursday, March 29th** at 4:00 pm. Other **upcoming** National Qualifiers are the **Pacific Regionals, South Central Regionals, Arizona State Championships, and Colorado State Championships**. Look for a qualifier near you!

For those interested in testing for Black Belt rank in Okinawa Kenpo Kobudo, there will be a testing board convened on Thursday, March 29th at 4:00 pm. Please contact headquarters

as soon as possible if you are interested in testing for Kobudo Rank.

Since we have had so much participation in the many events held at Nationals, we will be **starting the competition on Friday, March 30th, at 2:45 pm**. On Friday, the events will include **Weapons, Koshiki, Chanbara, Musical Forms, Iaido and Team Events – Team Sparring and Team Forms**. You'll want to **start forming your teams now** for the event. More competitors seemed to enjoy and participate in the Team Sparring last year with our new team criteria, so again, teams for Team Sparring will consist of 1 female and 2 males for 8 years old and up. 7 year olds and under may have any combination of three on their team.

**Competition will continue on Saturday, March 31st**, at 9:00 am with all individual Forms and Sparring divisions. **Finals will be that evening at 7:00 pm**. They will feature our run-offs for 1st and 2nd in our individual sparring divisions under Black Belt and the runoff for 1st & 2nd for our Black Belt Team Sparring division. They will also include our **9 Grand Champion Rounds for the beautiful Revere Cup Grand Champion Trophies**. For those of you who have attended Nationals before, you understand why Nationals is considered the best of the best since our underbelts must qualify to compete – the level of competition is outstanding. We are privileged that **Fumio Demura** will present a martial arts demonstration at our Finals on Saturday evening, as well as instructing a seminar on Sunday morning in kata bunkai.

**Registration for Nationals** competition and seminars will begin at 8:00 am on Friday, March 30th until 4:00 pm, and will begin again at 8:00 am on Saturday, March 31st, until 10:00 am. Registration will also be available ahead of time by mail and by fax if paying by credit card. We are currently working to be able to offer registration over the internet, and will let you know about that soon.

The **National Convention**, where rule proposals are considered and voted on, will take place on **Friday, March 30th** from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Rule Proposals are due into headquarters by January 30, 2007 and may be submitted by mail, fax, or E-mail. If you submit proposals, please call to verify that yours has been received.

Also on Friday, we will be offering a **Business Seminar** for



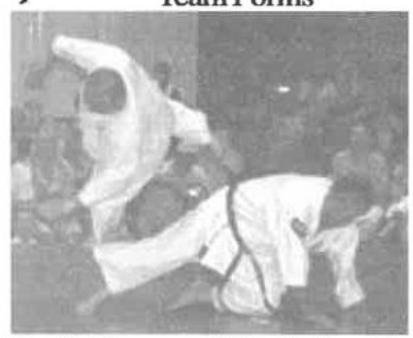
## Assorted World Championship Photos

Team Women Sparring

Team Men Sparring

World Demonstration

Team Forms



Fumio Demura & Kevin Suzuki Demonstration

USKA Hall of Fame

sportsmanship conduct. Finally, they both are great friends.

**Teresa Davies** and **Adrian Galvan** were inducted into the United States Karate Alliance Hall of Fame at the World Championships in Dallas, Texas. Anyone who has seen them fight notices their wonderful kicks. Their kicking is as natural to them and walking is to most of us. It is apparent when they fight that they love what they are doing. Not only are they great fighters, they are also both great kata competitors.

Ms. Davies is a third dan in Shorin Ryu. She started training in the martial arts at the age of 6 with her father, Tim Davies. Mr. Davies was inducted into the Hall of Fame in 1993. This is the first time a father and daughter were both in the Hall of Fame. (Grandmaster Robert A. Trias and his daughter, Roberta Jane Kelly, were the first and only father and daughter in the Trias International Society with the USKA.) Ms. Davies was the 2001 World Championship Kumite Grandchampion and has been the national point champion in both kata and kumite several times. Ms. Davies has also fought and placed in other circuits, such as NASKA, NBL and the traditional circuit. As Sensei Hawkes says "You know if you are consistently placing in a wide variety of circuits, you are obviously a great all around fighter who is able to adjust to any set of rules." Ms. Davies is currently in Guatamala doing volunteer work for an orphanage, but promises she will be back soon to resume her training and competition.

Mr. Adrian Galvan started training in Tae Kwon Do at the age of four with his father. His father is Mr. Juan Galvan, the Texas State Representative for the Alliance. Mr. Galvan currently teaches at his father's school and he is already producing the next generation of talented martial artists. Mr. Galvan was the 2004 World Kumite Grand Champion and the Triple Crown National Points Champion for 2005 and 2006. He has won over 60 grand champion titles. Mr. Galvan also has been competing on other circuits and doing well. He truly fits the criteria for "most spirited fighter" for induction into the Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame is proud to have Mr. Galvan and Ms. Davies as its newest members. We look forward to watching them continue to compete and grow in the martial arts.



# APPOINTMENT OF USKA SOUTHWEST REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE

On Saturday, September 30, 2006 at the Southwest Regional Championships, Cathy Davis was appointed as the USKA Southwest Regional Representative. Ms. Davis has been an integral part of the Alliance since its inception. In the early years of the Alliance, she served as the Secretary/ Treasurer, the Administrator, and is currently the USKA's Attorney.

The martial arts has been a way of life for Cathy Davis for over twenty-five years. She began karate as an undergraduate at the University of New Mexico. She credits karate for helping her through law school and continuing to help her in her career as a trial lawyer. She said that, "Karate helped me concentrate in law school. Training got my mind off the stress that can absorb law students." It has helped her to battle nervousness and to relax. Ms. Davis says she finds this helpful "especially when pulling things together the day before a trial."

Ms. Davis is a 7th Dan in Shorin Ryu and trains under the instruction of James Hawkes in Albuquerque, New Mexico. She has been active on the tournament circuit since 1985 where she has been the top points competitor in Forms or Sparring at least 12 times. She has taken many Grand Champion titles including the 1993 USKA Nationals Kata Title and the 1995 USKA Nationals Kumite Title. She was inducted into the Alliance Hall of Fame in 1990; one of only a few women with that honor at that time. Cathy Davis now enjoys sharing her art with her son, Davis Query, who just celebrated his 11th birthday. He now enjoys competing on the tournament circuit and likes to share his experiences with his Mom.

# 2006 PKC INTERNATIONALS

The 2006 PKC Internationals were held September 1-3, 2006 in Indianapolis, IN. Hosted by **Glenn Keeney**, the President of the Professional Karate Commission, it drew competitors from all over.

**Colin Brown** took the 17 yrs. & under Kyu Weapons Grand Champion honors, and **Scott Rossman** earned the 18 yrs. and up Kyu Weapons honors. **Demonet Bernstein** took home the 10 yrs. & under Kyu Kata Grand Champion trophy, and **Tori Summey** won the 11-17 yrs. kyu Kata honors. A veteran competitor, Ms. Summey has also been the USKA National Champion and the USKA World Champion.

A double grand champion at PKC this year, **Scott Rossman** also took home the 18 yrs. & up Kyu Kata honors. He has also been the USKA World Champion and USKA National Champion. For Junior Black Belt Kata, **Nichole Sullivan** earned the Grand Champion title. She is no stranger to the tournament circuit, and has also been the USKA World Champion.

**Cassandra Shults & Angelica Drexel w/Dr. David Jordan**

In the Adult Black Belt Divisions, **Donnie Michael** won the Black Belt Weapons Grand Champion honors. He is no stranger to the Grand Champion stage, as he has won 7 USKA World Titles and the USKA National Title as well. **Terry Bailey** won the Black Belt Men's Kumite Grand Champion Title this year. **Cassandra Shults** won the Black Belt Women's Kumite Grand Champion Title – her 4th PKC Title. She is also 3-time USKA World Kumite Grand Champion. **Angelica Drexel** won the Black Belt Kata Grand Champion honors, her 2nd year in a row. She was also the 2005 USKA World Kata Grand Champion.

Congratulations to all!



school owners from 10:00 am to 12:00 Noon. **James Lee**, the USKA Colorado State Representative, has found a program that has really helped to improve his school and helped his students to be more proficient and happier. USKA Schools will receive a substantial discount on the seminar.

Something new this year with our Rules & Referee Seminar will be a **USKA Bracketing Seminar**. We are hoping to certify adults from all areas around the country to facilitate our tournament promoters and help ensure the USKA tournament divisions are bracketed correctly and split appropriately. The **Rules and Referee Seminar**, **Score Keepers and Time Keepers**, and **Bracketing Seminar** will take place on Friday from 12:30 pm till 2:00 pm.

On Sunday, we have the opportunity to top off this weekend of martial arts with an exceptional learning experience by participating in the many seminars being offered. **Fumio Demura** has graciously agreed to teach a seminar on **Old Way Bunkai, and New Way Bunkai**. **Bruce & Ann-Marie Heilman** will be teaching weapons seminars on both the **Bo and the Sai**. **Guy Holtzman** will be teaching the first **Hakatsuru (White Crane) Kata** passed on to him by Shogen Nibichi Oyakawa. **Maria Evans** will be teaching the **Self Defense Instructor's Certification Seminar**. **Tim VanDenover** will be teaching two **Chanbara Seminars**, one for instructors and one for competitors. Quite a line up of knowledge – Don't miss this chance to enhance your training by attending on Sunday!

Please call headquarters if you have any questions, and we'll see you all in March!

# 2006 USKA HALL OF FAME INDUCTEES

by Cathy Davis, 7th Dan

What do the two newest members of the Hall of Fame have in common? They both started training in the martial arts at a very young age (4 and 6). They started training in 1988 (must have been a vintage year for producing martial artists). They trained with their fathers in their karate school. They are fabulous kickers. They love competition and excel at it. They love training younger students. They are wonderful examples of martial artists in the way they help others and in their good